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Amendments to the Claims

The following listing of claims will replace all prior versions of claims in the application.

1. (currently amended) A decorative display assembly including:

a plurality of clips of resiliently flexible material, each of said clips having a rear portion having a rear surface, a front surface opposite said rear surface, and first and second spaced ends; a front portion laying along the front surface of said rear portion and having first and second spaced ends, and an arcuate end portion joining the first ends of said rear and front portions and defining a passageway transverse of said front, rear, and end portions;

a plurality of lengths of stretch release adhesive by which the rear surfaces of said clips can be releasably adhered to a surface in a predetermined pattern; and

at least one resiliently elastic cord that can be positioned to extend through the passageways in the clips and between the clips to form a web-like structure between the clips.

2. (original) A display assembly according to claim 1 wherein said elastic cord has opposite ends joined to each other to form the cord into a loop.

3. (original) A display assembly according to claim 1 wherein said display assembly includes at least 8 clips and at least 2 elastic cords.

4. (currently amended) A display assembly according to claim 1 wherein the rear surface of the rear portion of each of said clips is planer planar, and said arcuate end portion projects past the planer planar rear surface of the rear portion a distance slightly less than a thickness of said lengths of stretch release adhesive so that the arcuate end portion will lay closer than the rear portion to the surface to which the clip is attached by one of the lengths of stretch release adhesive.

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5. (currently amended) A display assembly according to claim 1 wherein said elastic cords when unstretched have a diameter of about 0.13 inch, and said passageways in said clips have diameters of about 0.2 inch.

6. (currently amended) A display assembly according to claim 1 wherein said passageways in said clips have a diameter of about 0.2 inch the front portion of each of said clips presses firmly against the rear portion of the clip and those portions have opposed transverse ribs that nest between each other to provide undulating mating surfaces that can help to firmly hold a sheet between said front and rear portions.

7. (original) A display assembly including:

a plurality of clips of resiliently flexible material, each of said clips having a rear portion having a rear surface, a front surface opposite said rear surface, and first and second spaced ends; a front portion laying along the front surface of said rear portion and having first and second spaced ends, and an arcuate end portion joining the first ends of said rear and front portions and defining a passageway transverse of said front, rear, and end portions;

a plurality of lengths of stretch release adhesive releasably adhering the rear surfaces of said clips to a surface in a predetermined pattern; and

at least one resiliently elastic cord extending through the passageways in the clips and between the clips to form a web-like structure between the clips.

8. (original) A display assembly according to claim 7 wherein said elastic cord has opposite ends joined to each other to form the cord into a loop.

9. (original) A display assembly according to claim 7 wherein said display assembly includes at least 8 clips and at least 2 elastic cords.

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10. (currently amended) A display assembly according to claim 7 wherein the rear surface of the rear portion of each of said clips is planer planar, and said arcuate end portion of each of said clips projects past the planer planar rear surface of the rear portion a distance slightly less than a thickness of said lengths of stretch release adhesive so that the arcuate end portion lays closer than the rear portion to the surface to which the clip is attached by one of the lengths of stretch release adhesive.

11. (original) A display assembly according to claim 7 wherein said web like structure and said clips support a plurality of objects to be displayed along the vertical surface.

12. (currently amended) A display assembly according to claim 7 wherein said elastic cords when unstretched have a diameter of about 0.13 inch and the passageways in said clips have diameters of about 0.2 inch.

13. (currently amended) A display assembly according to claim 7 wherein said passageways in said clips have a diameter of about 0.2 inch the front portion of each of said clips presses firmly against the rear portion of the clip and those portions have opposed transverse ribs that nest between each other to provide undulating mating surfaces that can firmly hold a sheet between said front and rear portions.

14. (currently amended) A method for forming a decorative display assembly including the steps of:

providing a plurality of clips of resiliently flexible material, each of said clips having a rear portion having a rear surface, a front surface opposite said rear surface, and first and second spaced ends; a front portion laying along the front surface of said rear portion and having first and second spaced ends, and an arcuate end portion joining the first ends of said rear and front portions and defining a passageway transverse of said front, rear, and end portions;

providing a plurality of lengths of stretch release adhesive;

providing at least one resiliently elastic cord;

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using the lengths of stretch release adhesive to adhere the rear surfaces of the clips to a surface in a predetermined pattern; and

positioning the elastic cord so that the cord extends through the passageways in the clips and between the clips to form a web-like structure between the clips.

15. (currently amended) A method for forming a decorative display assembly according to claim 14 wherein said method further includes the step of supporting objects between the web-like structure and the surface.

16. (currently amended) A method for forming a decorative display assembly according to claim 14 wherein the front portion of each of said clips presses firmly against the rear portion of the clip and those portions have opposed transverse ribs that nest between each other to provide undulating mating surfaces that can firmly hold a sheet between said front and rear portions and said method further includes the step of supporting objects between front and rear portions of the clips.

17. (currently amended) A method for forming a decorative display assembly according to claim 14 wherein said step of providing at least one resiliently elastic cord provides at least two resiliently elastic cords, and said step of positioning the elastic cord positions the cords in overlaying patterns to form the web-like structure between the clips.